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re application of:  
Robert A. Conant et al.  
Serial No. 09/584,835  
Filed: May 31, 2000  
For: STAGGERED TORSIONAL  
ELECTROSTATIC COMBDRIVE AND METHOD  
OF FORMING SAME

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) Examiner:  
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AMENDMENT FILED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The enclosed Amendment is in response to the final Office Action dated August 28, 2002, for the above identified patent application. This response is being filed within two months of the office action mailing date.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Marked up versions of all revised claims, showing insertions and deletions, are included in Appendix A.

Cancel claim 45 without prejudice.

Rewrite the pending claims and add new claims as follows:

31. (Amended) A torsional electrostatic combdrive, comprising:

a stationary combteeth assembly having first combteeth;  
and

a moving combteeth assembly, including a mirror and one or more elongated combteeth spines coupled to and extending away from sides of the mirror, the one or more combteeth

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